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Salvation Army's Col. Crabson at FBA Meeting

At the October meeting of the Foggy Bottom Association, the guest speaker will be Lt. Colonel William L. Crabson, Divisional Commander of The Salvation Army. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 29, at the Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. at 7:30 p.m. **All residents are welcome.**

Colonel Crabson directs the Salvation Army's National Capital and Virginia Division from offices on Pennsylvania Avenue near 26th Street. He has held posts in Maryland, West Virginia, Florida and Mississippi, as well as serving on the Army's College for Officer Training in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a graduate of the Army's International College for Officers in London. His wife, LaVerne, also is an officer in the humanitarian organization.

Colonel Crabson is an accomplished and dynamic speaker, and will discuss the Salvation Army's activities since September 11, as well as its overall mission and projects.

Update

WECA Settles With GWU on 1957 E

In late August, the West End Citizens Association made an agreement with George Washington University concerning the property the university owns at 1957 E Street, N.W. The agreement runs counter to the long-held

position of the Foggy Bottom/West End ANC, which continues to push for a public hearing on the matter before the Zoning Commission. Zoning officials indicated they would hold such a hearing.

This building project is on a 'site' which earlier was granted Planned Unit Development status, a special zon-

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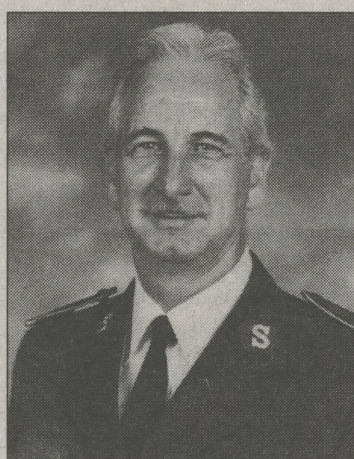
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(Next meeting: Monday, December 3, 2001)



BZA Reconsiders GWU Campus Plan

By Barbara Spillinger

On Tuesday, October 9, the Board of Zoning Adjustment met to consider yet again the George Washington University Foggy Bottom Campus Plan, which had been remanded to the Board for clarification and decision after the University filed a suit contesting the final BZA Order of March 29, 2001.

As BZA Chair Sheila Cross Reid said in her opening remarks, "This case . . . is one that has been fraught with a great deal of complexity," and after discussion and consideration of enormous amounts of material and testimony, revolves primarily around Condition 9 (the focus of GWU's suit), finally coming down specifically to "how many, where, when, and how."

The campus boundaries will remain as set forth in the March 29 Order, pending resolution of use of the 1957 E Street site, which case is now before the Zoning Commission. (In other words, if the Commission approves modification of this development,

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FB Booster Olga Corey Dies at 78

Olga Corey, an indefatigable Foggy Bottom booster, died in her sleep during the night of September 9-10, of natural causes. The Georgetown Current, in an editorial published September 26, called her a "great champion" of her beloved neighborhood, which was "richer for her many contributions and poorer in her absence."

Olga's documented activities on behalf of FB included membership on the FBA Executive Board and ad manager for the FBNews. Several years ago she chaired the year-long celebration of the FBA's 40th anniversary, planning presentations on local history, culminating with The Washington Post's Colbert King relating his early years growing up at 24th and L Streets. The activities during that year also included a boat ride to see Foggy Bottom from the water, a concert on the Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage, and tours and other events highlighting the history and assets of Foggy Bottom. More recently she organized a group to take part in the citywide D.C. Heritage Neighborhood Day and in the Wayfinders project to direct tourists to areas of interest in our neighborhood and close by.

Her "undocumented" activities are also part of her legacy: the "Friendly Foggy Bottom" and "Historic Foggy Bottom" buttons she was seldom without; the non-stop visits to neighborhood retailers to hear their latest news, to acknowledge their contributions to Foggy Bottom, and to try to interest them in an ad for the News; and the opportunities she never missed to educate all comers and brag about Foggy Bottom and its residents.

High on her list of favorite activities were those involving the students at George Washington University. She turned out

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This portrait of Olga by photographer Mary Taylor ran in the October 1980 FBNews to illustrate an exhibition of the photographer's art.



Letters

Thoughts Following September 11

Our beloved Lucille Molinelli penned some of her thoughts following the tragedy on September 11:

- I feel like a stranger in my beloved homeland
- I feel like praying holding hands
- I feel this painful grief keenly relates to loss of my loved ones and dear friends
- I feel the stages of shock, sorrow, anger and denials
- Will I ever feel the final stage of acceptance?
- I feel this will be a challenging test of wisdom and endurance
- I do feel the strength of a power greater than me
- With faith, love and sharing together, I must patiently wait and see
- I feel the outpouring of unity reveals that God in on our side
- As we bravely march forward with courage, confidence, patriotism and pride.
- God Bless America.

And Joan Bowman of St. Mary's Court sent the News the following "Prayer for America:

O God! Let this American Democracy become glorious in spiritual degrees even as it has aspired to material degrees, and render this just government

victorious. Confirm this revered nation to upraise the standard of the oneness of humanity, to promulgate the Most Great Peace, to become thereby most glorious and praiseworthy among all the nations of the world. This American nation is worthy of Thy favors and is deserving of Thy mercy.

Source: 'Abdu' l-Baha of The Bahai Faith

Elements of "Student Life"

I would like to respond to the letter written by Noel Frame, the president of the GWU Residence Hall Association, and her description of the essential elements of "student life." As a fulltime assistant professor at the university, I interact with students on a daily basis. I like our students and have respect for the amount of energy and time they devote to their studies and the pursuit of their future careers. Yes, some students seem to view their time spent in college as consisting only of breaking free from parental bonds, regimented schedules and responsibility. But to make the most of their time in college implies a successful transition to adulthood.

Even if the university eventually finds itself able to house all students on campus, making the Foggy Bottom community "a place where all people can live, work and study happily" necessitates respect for non-student residents, including the commitment to maintaining a clean environment, respecting the needs of others for quiet, and maintaining open, honest and

friendly communication with their neighbors. Knowing when to "take a party inside" (hint: after 11:00 p.m. on ANY night), knowing when and where to set out trash and making sure that it is properly bagged [and in strong trash-cans], and occasionally volunteering to help an elderly or incapacitated neighbor all go a long way to earning the respect and friendship of the non-student community, as well as developing a healthy self-respect for one's own capability and generosity.

I hope that when Ms. Frame looks back on her student days she will be proud of her metamorphosis from a teenager to an adult capable of contributing to the quality of life in her own community, and not merely find herself nostalgic for the partying, midnight showers and rebellion against reasonable community standards.

Richard Pollin, PT, VMD
New Hampshire Avenue

The Idea of a University!

As the president of the GWU Residence Hall Association, Noel C. Frame spoke out (in the October FBNews) concerning the thrashing among FBA and ANC community members who are reluctant to welcome students' lodging within the environs of the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. . . .

On the contrary, this individual should be commended for speaking candidly, as well as persuasively, in a most gracious manner, to those who apparently do not share or appreciate their common interests nor the advantages which GWU offers to a senior community such as those who reside in the Historic District and do not seem to be able to "get over it" and accept it gracefully.

As a former Lecturer of English at GWU, I urge the Association to welcome these young students within the community, making their college life the most memorable years of their lives, and that is as it should be.

Edith Perruso
Virginia Avenue

Corey Letter States Her Outlook

The following letter, which is excerpted, was printed in the August 9, 2000 issue of the Georgetown

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Current, and reveals some of Olga Corey's beliefs. It was written in response to a FB resident's letter "chastising the Foggy Bottom community for not agreeing with him that GWU is a good neighbor," and reminded him that he was a relative newcomer and that he should "not ignore the experiences, the observations, the knowledge, the wisdom—and, yes, the feelings of men and women, many of whom have already lived here longer than you ever will."

"Even as recently as five years ago, . . . I saw myself as a possible source of compromise, someone who understood both 'town and gown.' But it became impossible to defend the Genghis Kahn character of GWU's march westward to the sea." *

"Actually, it was working with students that contributed

to my disillusion. I remember the student association survey that pinpointed the feeling (which I shared) that the values of the university had become commercial rather than academic. And I remember the [Student Senate] resolution urging a cap on enrollment, adequate classroom space and consultation with them and with the community on any proposed expansion."

Olga summed up by stating to the critic of FB that "it seems to me fairly obvious . . . that if the community is unhappy, and so many students are unhappy, there just might be something wrong."

*Ed.note: This feeling is identical to my hope when I became FBA President and then faced the same disillusion and disappointment within two years.

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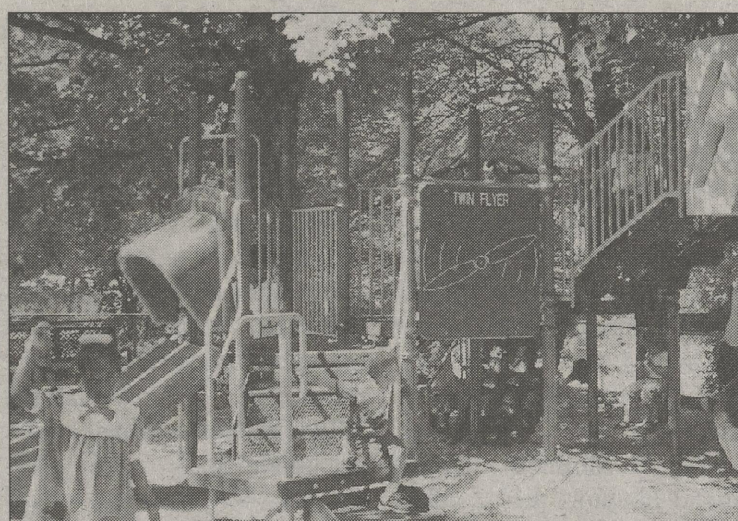
Residents Improve Two Local Parks

Over the past year residents have made great strides in improving two area parks, the Francis Field at 25th & N Streets, and the 26th Street park between I and K Streets.

Francis Field

Members of the Westgate Condominium Association have been working for several years to improve this field located behind the Westgate and adjacent to the Francis pool. Their efforts were rewarded when the Department of Parks and Recreation installed a new irrigation system, cleared underbrush and trimmed overgrowth, baited for rats, established a contract for seeding and grass cutting, and initiated ticketing and towing for cars illegally parked next to the pool. Later on a new fence was installed, trash removal was increased, and more vigorous policing of play permits was initiated.

DPR also agreed to lock the field's gates at dusk, keep restroom facilities at the pool open during scheduled play, and provide the condo committee with a list of scheduled (permitted) activities so police could be called for those not authorized. Additionally, DPR is submitting a proposal to split with nearby residents the costs of installing lower lights near the building. A "Friends of Francis Field" group of nearby businesses and residents is being formed to maintain and add to the gains already realized.



A small customer takes advantage of the DPR-installed "Tot Lot" in the 26th Street Park.

In a memo to the Westgate residents, Charlotte LeGates and Dan Jackson lauded the new DPR administration, stating that they "have clearly demonstrated commitment to work with us and have backed up their words with action. We have accomplished more in the last five months than we did under previous administrations in the last five years."

26th Street Park

The culmination of months of work by a committee of the Foggy Bottom Association took place on July 18. On that date the land on the west side of 26th Street between I and L Streets was officially transferred from the Department of Public Works to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

During the past year, with the help of PUD amenity funds from the Ritz-Carlton project, an existing park area and playground were fenced, new play equipment was installed, new plants put in and



Kerry Zymelman poses with some frequent users of the 26th Street Park.

bushes trimmed back, and a thorough cleanup of the area completed.

A major accomplishment by the committee and other concerned neighbors was the transfer of the land from DPW to DPR, a long process which offers multiple advantages. Responsibility for maintenance will rest with park personnel, who will keep the areas clean, and will provide wood chips periodically so that the playground meets its requirements. DPR also had "tot lot" play equipment installed. (The FBA provided funds to assist with the installation.) The transfer, happily for its neighbors, limits the use of the land to "recreational and related purposes only."

Taking the lead in getting the land transferred were members of the FBA's 26th Street Committee, chaired by Bob Vogt. Kerry Zymelman of Queen Anne's Lane persisted in her contacts to get various government agencies to work together for the transfer. Edward Gable of the

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Griffin Condominium was also very helpful in the process. Both have acknowledged the assistance of the staff of Ward 2 Councilmember Jack Evans who also showed persistence in their contacts with the Office of Property Management which ordered the transfer.

Three FB/WE Preservation Issues Resolved

During the summer three properties in Foggy Bottom made historic preservation news.

Stevens Elementary School

Stevens Elementary School, located at 1050 21st Street, was added to the National Register of Historic Places. It joins Cardozo High as the only two historically designated schools in D.C. still in academic use.

Stevens was originally built in 1910 for African-American students when segregation was in effect, and later housed a preparatory high school for black students. Although surrounded by commercial buildings, it now has students from all wards of the city, and has extended care hours to accommodate working parents.

Set for demolition by school officials, they now plan to renovate and add to it. The school has graduated a long list of distinguished alumni, including Dr. Charles Drew, singer Roberta Flack, actor Robert Hooks, and Washington Post columnist Colbert King who grew up at 24th & L Streets.

Hughes Mews House

The owner of a Hughes Mews garage has received permission to replace it with a house, following changes made to its original design. ANC Commissioner Maria Tyler, the Foggy Bottom Historic District Conservancy and several residents objected to the house as too large for the Mews, which contains historic alley dwellings. As a result of their objections, the height of the building was lowered, a garage was added to help with parking and to "break up the facade almost into two different buildings," according to the architect.

Mullett House Plan Approved

A plan for 2517 Pennsylvania Avenue, one of the historic Mullett houses in that block, was supported by ANC-2A and approved by the Historic Preservation Review Board in August. The changes involved removal of a shed and two walls surrounding it to provide new parking spaces. At present no other changes are planned. The buildings were designed by Alfred Mullett known for his work on the Old Executive Office Building.



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"Doc" Williams Closes Pharmacy

By Ellie Becker

Milton Williams, pharmacist and owner of Columbia Plaza Rx Superstore since 1976, closed his store in August, depriving Foggy Bottom of its last independent neighborhood drug and sundries store.

"Doc" Williams was best known for his caring attention to residents, especially the eld-



Jack Arriaga of the State Department greets Milt at his party.

erly who relied on him for prescriptions and other services. Doc often delivered medicines to St. Mary's Court and other residents on his way home, when they were ill or unable to get to the store.

The store has been battling chain competition for years, as well as rising costs. Word is that attempts to sell the business came to naught, and that he had planned to close for some time. Then, in August, he was hospitalized with appendicitis, and shortly thereafter closed for good.

The last day of business



FB's Rita Champagne poses with Milt Williams at his farewell party.

was August 11, and customers, neighbors and friends gathered in his honor at the Magic Gourd Restaurant, also located in Columbia Plaza.

Special features at the store included the usual: donuts and coffee, greeting cards, snacks, cosmetics, an oft-used and reasonably-priced copy machine, video rentals and a post office open on weekends with Saturday and Sunday mail pickups. Customers could have material faxed and purchase money orders as well. Marija Hughes, longtime Columbia Plaza resident, told us she "was in there all the time, for copies and for the post office," and will miss its convenience. Columbia Plaza's Marilyn Rubin termed Milt Williams "an anchor in the neighborhood."

Another faithful customer, Abby Gilbert, told the News: "I miss Doc Williams the most when I see the shuttered and empty Columbia Plaza Pharmacy. Though enlarged and offering expanded serv-

ices during its last six years, Doc's warmth, willingness to go that extra mile, and kindness never changed. While the fabulous convenience of its location was important, Doc's personal attention in his family-owned neighborhood pharmacy was a large part of its draw. Because of that attention and care, I have switched to another family-run pharmacy."

Lucille Molinelli characterized his store as "a vital, stable part of our daily lifestyle within walking distance," with a "family atmosphere [that] was a rare asset in today's society," and "a real lifeline for our daily needs." Her message to Williams: "Milton, you are a Gem of a Gentleman and can never be replaced."

Joan Sugarman, in the July 1990 Foggy Bottom News, wrote an extensive profile, calling him a "Foggy Bottom treasure." One paragraph described part of the store's attraction: "The services match the astonishing assortment of merchandise and the courtesy, [and] warmth. . . . Doc has this thing about names. He asks them, remembers them and uses them! Then he thanks you for coming!"

In her article, Joan described the staff's warm courtesy as "infectious." She related that a customer from Bogota wanted a special licorice kind of chewing gum for his kid. . . . Doc ordered it, and it is still sent down there, a box a month."

She described a remark from a customer: "Listen, lady, I like the way he treats people. You remember that!"

Joan recently wrote a long letter about Milt Williams, ending with a lovely but sad paragraph: "Those of us who live and walk in our area eye

each change such as the tearing down of small three-story apartment buildings, and the crowding and overwhelming new huge buildings with apprehension. We keep looking up for the sun! It is shadowy walking on the sidewalk, and, oddly, somehow we miss the trees! How can the sun get through, down to us, the little people, like Doc Williams? All alone, he illuminated our neighborhood."

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ing classification. GWU plans to use it for student housing and the Elliott School of International Studies. The ANC and other residents are appealing the construction permit granted by the D.C. Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs. The Board of Zoning Adjustment earlier requested a stop-work order, but the Zoning Administrator declined to issue that order.

The citizens' group now has commitments from GWU to include retail space in the building and in the adjoining Mitchell Hall, restrict loading dock and construction hours, provide landscaping and lighting, and house only upper-class and honors students. WECA also negotiated a \$500,000 grant, to be administered by a foundation to be formed, for operating a program at Scholl's Cafeteria for reduced or no-charge meals for elderly, poor residents and the homeless. Although the IMF is not a part of the project, the agreement states that: "Representatives from GW and the International Monetary Fund shall constitute less than the majority of the board" of the foundation.

In a separate letter Louis Katz of GW agreed to efforts to discourage freshmen and sophomores from bringing

cars to school or parking in the neighborhood. This would be accomplished by GW's publishing in University documents its policy that they should not bring cars to school. However, according to the letter, "GW and [WECA] recognize that neither GW nor the WECA have enforcement authority of this policy."

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this plot would become part of the campus.)

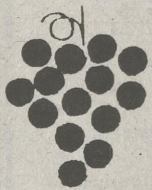
Condition 9 Is Amended

In addressing these specifics, Commissioner Carol Mitten put forward a motion, seconded by Commissioner Geoffrey Griffis, to amend Condition 9 as follows: (a) by August 31, 2002, the University will house 70 percent of its undergraduate population as indicated on February 13, 2001 (i.e. 70% of 7,881) in university-controlled housing, either on campus or outside the Foggy Bottom/West End area; (b) this requirement will also cover one additional bed per fulltime undergraduate student enrolled thereafter; and (c) as of August 31, 2006, this housing requirement must be met exclusively on campus.

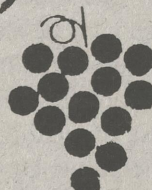
If it is determined that the University is out of compliance with the above provisions, only special exceptions for residential projects—projects with greater than 50% residential use—would be permitted for further processing.

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2002, the number of undergraduate students enrolled and a breakdown of available housing. In an unusual display of unanimity, the BZA approved the motion, with the above amendments, 5-0.

In discussing the advantages of this proposal, its simplicity was touted in that it would not require tracking of segments of the student population nor recalculation from year to year. Recent acquisitions or leases (the Aston, the Howard Johnson's, the St. James and Pennsylvania House) and students living in Columbia Plaza and other neighborhood houses and apartment buildings are excluded from the 70% on-campus tally. The Board did not, however, reinstate an undergraduate enrollment cap as contained in the March Order.

In stating the overall objective of the BZA decision, Ms. Reid cited "the ultimate sustainability of the Foggy Bottom community as well as the viability of George Washington University, given

the fact that both entities are inextricably linked."

A proposed Order is scheduled for release October 30, with two weeks given for the parties (until November 13) to file special exceptions. Final review and vote by the BZA will be on November 20. One objective of this schedule is to have the ground rules in place before GWU begins its admissions process for 2002. Only time will tell whether this can be accomplished, or whether the university and the community will one more time be "surprised" by GWU's "unexpected" increase in undergraduate enrollment.

Library Sale Nets Record Sum

More Bargains to Come ...

The West End Library Friends book sale held on August 3 attracted numerous readers and dealers, resulting in sales of over \$2300. Richard Price, President of the West End Library Friends, said that the proceeds will be used to purchase books and

periodicals and to fund children's programs at the Branch Library.

The success of the sale is thanks to the many Foggy Bottom, Dupont Circle and West End residents who donated thousands of books. Thanks are due also to those who contributed their time and effort, including Amy Arnold, Mary and Robert Brewster, Mary Lou Hennessey, Richard Price, Helen Miko and Grace Watson. Special recognition goes to Sue Bosma and Jeff Gallup for their on-going assistance in sorting the thousands of donated books.

Follow-up sales of the same lot of books at progressively discounted prices will be held in the coming months. The first of these will be on Saturday, November 17, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. So, watch the Foggy Bottom News and look for notices posted at the library for dates of future sales.

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2001-2002 Committees

FBA President Jacqueline Lemire has announced the formation of the Association's committees for the coming year. Following are the named groups, with "mission statements" and information on those chairing them.

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Community Improvement Committee: To improve and enhance the overall environment of the Foggy Bottom area with the objective of making it a visually attractive and safe community. Objectives include identifying upgrades needed relative to parks, trees, signage, public services, streets, sidewalks, lighting, etc., and developing recommendations for the Executive Board's consideration on how to address those needs. Thomas Bower, Chair. 337-8810; rcptwb@msn.com.

Editorial Committee: To assure that the FBNews provides timely and comprehensive coverage of issues and activities in and specifically affecting the Foggy Bottom/West End neighborhood and the FBA's membership. In addition, to see that the content of the FBNews reflects the policies of the FBA Executive Board. The Committee will carry out its mission by recommending to the editor themes and topics for articles, identifying and contacting individuals to contribute information and articles on an on-going basis, and by reviewing, prior to publication, the copy prepared for the newspaper. The Committee also will address the technological aspects of production and distribution. Ellie Becker, Chair (pro tem); 337-5528.

GWU Oversight Committee: To monitor District agencies dealing with George Washington University issues of overall concern to FBA and Foggy Bottom residents (BZA, OP, DCRA, OCC, etc.); develop, for Board discussion, positions on issues and possible strategies to address them. Will report to FBA Executive Board and develop articles, as appropriate, for the FBNews. Barbara Spillinger, Chair; 338-2079; bspill@erols.com.

Issue Outreach Committee: (draft mission statement) To monitor District agencies dealing with issues, other than those related to GWU, of overall concern to FBA and Foggy Bottom residents. Jim McLeod, Chair; 223-6457.

Membership Committee: To maintain a roster of members and retain and recruit membership in the Foggy Bottom Association by undertaking an annual membership drive (renewal process) as well as other actions and activities aimed at increasing membership. Craig Pascal, Chair; 625-6565; cpascal@BBandT.com.

Public Relations Committee: Doug Abbey, Chair; 337-1477; avstatdc@aol.com.

Strategic Planning Committee: Steven Mandelbaum, Chair. 776-0057; sjm@advisory.com.

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Foggy Bottom Folks

While she did not actually reside here, many FB residents identified with and appreciated the work and attention of **June Hirsh**, longtime staff member with the office of Councilmember Jack Evans. It was said often about her that she did listen and get things done for constituents of the Ward 2 councilmember. According to a recent newsletter, June is heading back to her hometown, New York City, where she certainly can find innumerable people to help as she did in D.C.

From the Kennedy Center to the New York stage is the path taken by **Bill Becker**, formerly General Counsel for "our little neighborhood theater." The latest is that he and his colleagues have produced a hit show in New York and are working on several more.

One of our longtime advertisers, **George Ayoub**, has done carpet cleaning for several Foggy Bottom residents, including **Inez Pulver** on I Street. He has been in the business for 24 years, 15 in his own business, and in addition to regular carpet work he specializes in handwashed oriental rug cleaning and all kinds of repair.

And from another faithful advertiser (and resident) comes word of yet another award for the well-known malpractice attorney, **Jack Olender**. This award came from the consumer watchdog group, Public Citizen, and was presented by Joan Claybrook at the organization's 30th anniversary celebration in Montreal, Canada.

Leon Miranian of Watergate Exxon was as shocked and saddened as all his Foggy Bottom customers over Olga Corey's death, and asked about services and other info. Leon and his brother **Eddie** are also losing the responsibility of caring for Olga's famous (or infamous) 1971 Malibu convertible, perhaps the most recognizable automobile in this area. The car is safely stored at the home of a Maryland friend of Olga, awaiting sale (or donation to the "real car" museum).

It should not surprise any of **Bob Charles'** friends that his daughter, **Lisa McDonald**, is now the skipper of a 60-ft. sailboat on an around-the-world race. She started out in

September, will stop in Annapolis in the spring in the Volvo Around-the-World Race, formerly known as the Whitbread.

A local hotel is celebrating its birthday by offering a special rate to anyone mentioning its 23rd anniversary. The **River Inn**, at 924 25th Street, houses the **Foggy Bottom Cafe**, which is often mentioned as a meeting spot for characters in Margaret Truman's mystery novels. Through December, the "birthday" rate is \$123 per night, single occupancy plus tax. The hotel's manager is **Barry F. Gahagan**, and **Claudia Hill** is Director of Sales.

The speaker at the June FBA meeting, **Brad Faughn** of the Kennedy Center, has left the area and headed for

the State of Florida. He was Project Executive for the Center, and did much of the overseeing of the renovations, additions and other changes taking place or planned there. He told the News that it was "time for a change," but also implied there was a Florida lady involved in the decision.

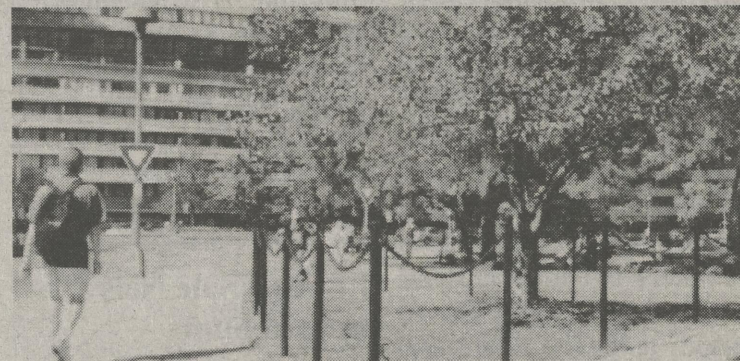
C.M. Mayo, who lives in Foggy Bottom, has published the second annual issue of *Tameme*, a bilingual literary journal. The 227-page issue with side-by-side Spanish-English translations, features short fiction, creative non-fiction and poetry by 23 writers from Canada, the U.S. and Mexico. The publication is available at www.tameme.org or from 199 First Street, Los Altos, CA 94022.

Small Park Repaired by GWU

At the request of Tom Bower, The George Washington University arranged for the repair and fencing of a small triangular park at 25th and H Streets, N.W. Bower, who is chairman of the Foggy Bottom Historic District Conservancy, contacted the university president

to repair the park's grass worn away by students on their way to their dorm on Virginia Avenue.

The worn areas were replaced with new grass, and an attractive metal fence was installed to bar pedestrian traffic. Bower wrote Mr. Trachtenberg, acknowledging the improvement and applauding the help of GWU staff involved in the project.



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In Memoriam

The George Washington University celebrates the life of Olga Corey, a long-time resident of Foggy Bottom and a friend of the university and its students. Her years of good works and concern on behalf of our community will perpetuate her memory. All of us are in her debt.



Olga sports a FB button as she enjoys the Potomac River boatride which was a part of the 40th anniversary celebration she chaired.

News from 2D

There have been some changes in the police officers responsible for our area. **Lt. Jack Gottlieb**, who had been assigned to PSA 207 for some months, has been succeeded by **Lt. David Hutchinson**. The new head of PSA 207 has been with the Metropolitan Police Department for 11 years, most recently in 4D (Georgia Avenue area). He was promoted to lieutenant this past August.

There are now two sergeants in 207: "**Rick**" **Hendricks**, who is on the evening shift and has attended FBA meetings in the past, and **Tammy Lane**, who works days. We offer congratulations to Sgt. Hendricks on his recent marriage.

Some good news/bad news for 207. Bad first: **Lt. Andrew White**, the popular former head of PSA 207, has returned from his term at a community policing institute headquartered in Baltimore, but will NOT be returning to the Second District. Instead, he has been reassigned to the Regional Operations Command, a supervisory level over two police districts (in this case the 2nd and 4th Districts). Hence, the good news: he will still be involved with 2D but from a slightly higher level.

Olga Corey, from page 1

for the Student Association's serious and not-so-serious events, such as ice cream socials and orientations for new students. Jeff Marootian, GW graduate student and ANC Commissioner, told the GW Hatchet that she "was by far the best person to bring people together, because everybody loved her. Her genuine concern was uniting people and she did it wonderfully. It's a loss to Foggy Bottom but it's a loss to the GW student community as well."

This interest does not seem unusual in light of an early job with the International Student Assembly in New York, and in a public relations position with Roosevelt University in Chicago. It also came naturally as the child of Russian-immigrant college professors. Her father taught economics and her mother German and Russian. Positions with the Chicago Urban League and the Illinois Board of Economic Development nurtured her "instant love" of Chicago and her attachment to all things having to do with Abraham Lincoln, including hosting an annual February 12 party.

It was in Chicago, also well known for its politics, where she caught the "bug" and became a campaign volunteer and sometimes staff member "whose advice," according to longtime friend Diana Winthrop, "was courted by candidates who wanted to win elections," including some well-known Illinois politicians. Earlier she had worked for several labor unions, traveling and organizing, the latter being another of her many talents.

After moving to Washington, she held communications positions with the U.S. Office of Education, the AFL-CIO Human Resources Development Institute, and the Environmental Protection Agency. For five years she directed the State of Illinois Office in Washington (working closely with the state's governor). Her last fulltime position with government was as chief of staff for Illinois Senator Carol Moseley-Braun. Later she

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—Michael Thomas

handled a variety of communications work for various clients including the City of Chicago and an AFL-CIO Department.

Bill Williams, a 26th Street resident who worked with Olga on the 40th Anniversary and Wayfinders committees, called her "Foggy Bottom's Den Mother." And Abby Gilbert, who lives in Columbia Plaza, said: "Talking with Olga was always joyous. She saw good in everything except GW's erosion of our neighborhood. Olga spent many countless (and unsung) hours im-



The sweet smile often seen on Olga's face is clearly shown here. With her are Ralph Burr and Paul O'Leary.

proving our community. She was a friend of residents and students alike. Foggy Bottom will find Olga very hard to replace."

A group of close friends is planning a memorial service and celebration on Saturday, October 27, at 2:00 p.m. It will be held at the George Meany Center at 10000 New Hampshire Avenue in Silver Spring. The GW Student Association is arranging for transportation leaving the GWU Marvin Center at 1:00 p.m. for the Meany Center. Call Jeff Marootian, 904-4128, for details. FBA will hold an event at a later date in Foggy Bottom.

Contributions in her honor may be sent to Nina D. Cannata, 212 West Fourth Street, Lewes, DE 19958, who is working with Olga's other friends to choose an appropriate memorial.

Among those expressing sentiments about Olga were Michael Thomas, immediate past president of the FBA:

"Olga Corey was a person of many layers and many passions, but that is not to say she was complex. Everything in her life seemed to be driven by a fascination with people, and an insistence that every person was worth knowing, learning from, and if possible, helping. That meant to her that she—and you, if you were her friend—simply had to put maximum effort into building bridges, fighting intolerance, establishing dialogue.

"The daughter of a self-taught socialist economics professor at far-left Antioch College, she was no ideologue. Her idol was Lincoln, the ultimately pragmatic humanist. Sometimes in the last few years, it seemed that the felt need to build more of those bridges, to learn more about and from people she had just met, was what got her going each day as her health became more precarious. You knew, watching her, that she could not go on forever, but it seemed impossible that she would not be there to share an enthusiasm and prod you to do more yourself. I miss her very much."

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Saturday, October 27: Memorial event for Olga Corey, George Meany Center, 10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD. (Transportation leaving GWU Marvin Center at 1:00 p.m.) 2:00 p.m.*

Monday, October 29: Foggy Bottom Association meeting, featuring Lt. Colonel William L. Crabson, Divisional Commander of The Salvation Army. Melrose Hotel, 2430 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. 7:30 p.m. **All residents welcome.***

Wednesday, October 31: "Art to Die For," a presentation by three popular mystery authors whose books deal with murder and the arts: Larry Karp, who wrote "The Midnight Special"; Charles Mathes who wrote "The Girl in the Face of the Clock"; and Sally Wright, author of "Pursuit and Persuasion." Arts Club of Washington, 2017 I Street, N.W. Contact: 331-7282, ext. 15. 7:00 p.m.

Thursday-Sunday, November 1-4: "A Chorus Line," the smash hit musical about dancers auditioning for a hit musical, presented by the GWU Department of Theater and Dance. Marvin Center Theater, 800 21st Street, N.W. (enter on H Street). Contact: 994-6178. \$10; students and seniors, \$8. 7:30 p.m.; Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Friday, November 2: Opening reception for exhibition of works by Charles W. Munday (Portrait Reflections in Metal) and Yoshimi S. Matsukata (Pears). Arts Club of Washington, 2017 I Street, N.W. Contact: 331-7282. 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 3: "Caring for Those Who Cared for Us—How to Care for Your Aging Relatives and Minimize Stress," a workshop addressing ways to minimize the stress that accompanies caregiving and identify community resources to help whether your relatives live near or far. IONA Senior Services, 4125 Albemarle Street, N.W. Contact: 895-0248. \$5, including continental breakfast. 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 3: Foggy Bottom Clean-Up Day, sponsored by GWU Residence Hall and Student associations. Contact Alice Lingo at 994-7100 or adlingo@GWU.edu. 1:00 p.m.*

Monday, November 5: Foggy Bottom/West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A special meeting on campus plan. Contact: 736-1775. 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 8: "Nijinsky's 'Lost' Ballets: An Evening with Gerald Arpino," presenting the artistic director of the Joffrey Ballet of Chicago, along with designer/artist/photographer Herbert Migdoll. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th Street, N.W. Contact: 639-1770. Members, \$12; public, \$16. 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 11: "The Chesapeake Creation: Tom Wisner," presented by an environmental educator and musician telling the story of the Bay with song and satellite imagery. Corcoran Gallery of Art, 500 17th Street, N.W. Contact: 639-1770. 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 11: The Kennedy Center's Millennium Stage's Millionth Person performance, featuring The Pointer Sisters. The millionth person will be

honored at this celebration of the stage's four-year anniversary. 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 11: "A Musical Tribute to the late Anne Kirby," longtime resident of Columbia Plaza, with selections from J.S. Bach, Brahms, Schubert and others, performed by pianists Stephen Ackert and Jeffrey Watson and contralto Linda Priebo. The United Church, 1920 G Street, N.W. Contact: 331-1495. 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 13: Flu vaccine program for seniors, sponsored by IONA Senior Services, will be available at St. Mary's Court, 725 24th Street, N.W. Contact: IONA: 966-1055; 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

Tuesday, November 13: Foggy Bottom/West End Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2-A meeting. State Plaza Hotel, 2116 F Street, N.W. Contact: 736-1775. 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 15: "Arthritis: Diagnosis, Treatment, and Joint Replacement," presented by James Graeter, M.D., orthopedic surgeon and Director, GW Total Joint Replacement Center. Sponsored by Senior Advantage. Hospital Auditorium, 901 23rd Street, N.W. Contact: 1-888-4GW-DOCS. 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Thursday-Saturday, November 15-17: Fall Dance Concert, featuring contemporary original choreography, presented by the GWU Department of Theater and Dance. Marvin Center Theater, 800 21st Street, N.W. (enter on H Street); Contact: 994-6178. \$10; students and seniors, \$8. 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 17: Used Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the West End Library, 24th & L Streets, N.W. 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. *

Thursday, November 29: "The Eyes of Seniors," presented by Howard Savage, M.D., ophthalmologist. Sponsored by GW Senior Advantage. Hospital Auditorium, 901 23rd Street, N.W. Contact: 1-888-4GW-DOCS. 2:00-4:00 p.m.

*See article on this listing elsewhere in this issue.

Student Cleanup Day: November 3

The GWU Residence Hall and Student associations are planning a Foggy Bottom Clean-Up Day for Saturday, November 3, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. The students are inviting Foggy Bottom residents to join them at St. Mary's Court at 1:00 p.m. to go out into the neighborhood to spruce up the surrounding blocks. After the work, there will be a party with prizes. **They also are soliciting information on locations needing cleanup.** Contact Alice Lingo, Vice President of the Student Association, at 994-7100 or adlingo@gwu.edu.

"It has been said that unpaid community volunteers were no match for the [Consortium of] universities' economic and political resources, their full-time professional management, outside legal counsel and publicity machine. The day may soon arrive when the District itself will be no match for them." *

*Excerpt, "Growth and Expansion of Private Universities in the District of Columbia: The Case of George Washington University: An Economics Primer," by Sol Shalit, Professor Emeritus of Economics and Finance, The University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee School of Business Administration

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